

by any committee, or any of its officers or members, or by any person acting under its authority, or on its behalf or by [such] THE treasurer or subtreasurer, and setting forth in such statement and accounts the sum or valuable thing so received, or disbursed, or promised, as the case may be, and the date when, the name of the person and his address from whom received or promised, or to whom paid or promised, as the case may be, and the object and purposes for which the sum, or other valuable thing, was received, or disbursed, or promised, as the case may be. [Such books] BOOKS and records may be destroyed or discarded at any time after [one year] TWO YEARS from the date of filing the final report required by § 26-11 unless a court of competent jurisdiction [shall order] ORDERS their retention for a longer period.

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[Every officer or board with whom reports, statements or accounts are required by any section of this article to be filed, shall receive, file, and preserve the reports, statements and accounts in his office, and shall keep all of the same as part of the records of his office for at least two years after the election to which they relate or for at least one year after the date for the filing of the final report or statement required by § 26-11 in connection with that election, whichever is later, or for longer if so ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction.] EVERY OFFICER OR BOARD SHALL RECEIVE, FILE AND PRESERVE ALL REPORTS, STATEMENTS AND ACCOUNTS RELATING TO [[COMPAIGN]] CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE FILED BY THIS ARTICLE. THESE REPORTS, STATEMENTS AND ACCOUNTS SHALL BE KEPT AS PART OF THE RECORDS OF THE OFFICER OR BOARD FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED [[SEVEN]] FIVE YEARS OR FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR BEYOND THE LENGTH OF THE TERM OF THE PUBLIC OF PARTY OFFICE FOR WHICH EVERY CANDIDATE TO WHOM THESE REPORTS, STATEMENTS OR ACCOUNTS APPLY, HAS OFFERED HIMSELF FOR NOMINATION OR ELECTION, REGARDLESS IF THE CANDIDATE IS SUCCESSFUL, UNSUCCESSFUL, OR RESIGNS, OR FOR A LONGER PERIOD IF ORDERED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION. THESE REPORTS, STATEMENTS AND ACCOUNTS SHALL BE SUBJECT AND OPEN TO INSPECTION BY ANY CITIZEN OF THIS STATE DURING THE HOURS IN WHICH THE OFFICE IN WHICH THE REPORTS, STATEMENTS AND ACCOUNTS ARE KEPT IS OPEN. Before disposing of any reports, statements or accounts, the officer or board with whom they were filed shall make a permanent record of all election reports required to have been filed by § 26-11 but which have not been filed. The permanent record shall include the name of the candidate or the committee, the treasurer, an identification of the missing report, and, if a final report, a notation of the amount of any outstanding balance, bills or deficits as shown on the last report filed. The officer or board shall file a copy of this permanent record with the State Administrative Board of Election Laws. [All reports, statements and accounts shall, during the hours for which